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A MODERN ANANIAS.

The Cincinnati Enquirer and the Associated Press should at once notify Mr. Joe Mulhatton, Jr., their correspondent at Marietta, to confine his fictions to Washington county and not let them spread over all of Southeastern Ohio. His sensational and untruthful versions of the poisoning near Cambridge, the truth of which had been published two days before he discovered it, entitles him to a dishonorable discharge from any and every publication and news gathering association which may have secured his services. His story was both stale and untruthful, two fatal objections.—Times Recorder.

For the benefit of the Times Recorder it is well enough to state that the "rot" referred to was not written by the Marietta representative of the Enquirer. The notoriously ridiculous stuff was wired out by a representative of the antiquated evening "sheet" of this city, and the Associated Press was imposed upon and published it. It was in this way that a large number of papers which use the Associated Press service printed the poison story written by the modern Ananias.

WHO WROTE IT?

The Pittsburg Dispatch, like the Ohio State Journal and Columbus Dispatch, was faked by the reporter from Marietta with a dispatch concerning the Forsythe mines poisoning, exaggerating and mislocating the tragedy. The Pittsburg Dispatch thought the matter worthy of sending a special reporter and he went down to Marietta to find he was fifty miles south of the desired locality, and that the article sent them had been manufactured from the Daily Times sent to the Register office in that city. The reporter came back to Cambridge and went to work to prepare a "call down" article for his morning paper. Mr. Paden, the reporter, is a pleasant gentleman, and seems to understand the method of getting a straight story.—Cambridge Times.

The time is rapidly approaching when there will be no balm in Gilead for Pettigrew.

The village of Parkersburg is experiencing all sorts of trouble. First her census men were wrong, now her policemen have become bad, very bad. Poor Parkersburg.

The twenty-three presidential electors will meet at Columbus January 9th to officially register their votes for William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt.

While the British officers were being banqueted at home the Boers were lambasting the English troops in South Africa. It might be well to remember that although the dance went on Waterloo was lost.

In the event of the enactment into law of the Hopkins re-apportionment bill Ohio would lose one Representative in the National House, and as a natural consequence the members of the Ohio delegation are not very friendly to the measure.

By the time Vice President-elect Roosevelt gets through shooting mountain lions and riding bucking bronchos it is quite likely that he will be in the very "pink of condition," as the pugilist would say, for the performance of the arduous duties that lie before him—prejudging over that band of Indians, the United States Senate.

On Wednesday Mr. F. E. Cassell, a brakeman on the B. & O. passenger train that runs from here to Parkersburg, came within an inch of losing his life at Scott's Landing, and it is indeed miraculous that he is now alive. While the engine was in motion Mr. Cassell stepped on the running board, his foot slipped and he was thrown on the track in front of the iron monster. As luck would have it he was rushed along the rail instead of being thrown under the wheels, and as soon as possible the engine was stopped and the man escaped injury. Mr. Cassell is a man of long railroad experience, and this happening goes to show that trainmen cannot be too careful. Another thing, if such accidents happen to experienced railroaders, how much more likely they are to happen to young fellows who jump on and off moving trains at will.

AMBASSADORS' SALARIES.

In the rumor of the resignation of Ambassador Choate there is a strong element of probability. His private business affairs have been disarranged by the death of his law partner, and the expense of maintaining the ambassadorial establishment in London is too great for his private purse another four years. There are the reasons assigned, and they are certainly plausible.

But what a shame it is that the United States does not pay its ambassadors to London more than enough to meet his house rent; that all the other exceptional expenses must be paid out of the incumbent's personal purse and that he must perform his public duties without compensation. That is the situation with respect to the United States embassy at London and it is the situation with respect to the embassies of the United States at all the European capitals. None but rich men can accept these posts of honor and duty, and it is often difficult to find among those who are willing and able to spend their own money for the privilege of representing this country abroad, men of the proper mental qualifications. This difficulty has for the most part been overcome but the success of the past is no positive assurance for the future. Besides, the present arrangement has been and always will be an injustice to the incumbents of the ambassadorships, as well as to those who are qualified by brains, but disqualified by lack of means to represent their country abroad.

It has been but a few months since the ambassadorship to Italy, on the resignation of General Drauer, was hawked about among the rich men of Massachusetts, to which state it was held the appointment belonged. At last a rich man was found who was willing to incur the great expense for the honor of representing this nation at the court of Rome. The gentleman in question is unknown outside of his state, and there is the suspicion that the praise of his qualifications is largely perfunctory.

If the United States is to send ambassadors to foreign courts, it ought to pay them each a salary which, besides covering all the expenses of diplomatic life, shall be ample return for the time and brains employed in the service. Anything short of that has been and always will be unworthy of the republic, whose prizes properly belong to men of worth, rather than to those of mere wealth.

Mr. Choate's retirement from the embassy at London would be a distinct loss. He is the latest of a distinguished line of United States representatives, including Lowell, Phelps, Bayard, Lincoln and Hay. Mr. Choate has had no specially difficult work to do, but what he has had to do has been done with the ability of a skilled lawyer and an American gentleman. Whether this list can be extended under the existing circumstances is a question.—Columbus Dispatch.

ORIENTAL TRADE.

In the last five years the largest percentage of gain in American exports has been with Asia and Oceania. The figures of increase for ten months are from \$25,587,421 in 1895 to \$33,563,153 in the present year, a gain of 22 1/2 per cent. Temporarily, there is a falling off in exports to China on account of military operations at Peking and the disturbed condition of the country. But to Japan this year the United States has sent goods valued at over \$23,000,000, or 50 per cent more than in 1899. There has also been an increase in exports to Hong Kong and Asiatic Russia. Our exports to Africa have almost tripled since 1895, standing this year at \$17,000,000 for ten months. In Hawaii, the Philippines and Alaska there is a large increase in trade, but as this is our own territory the figures are not included in this showing.

It is to the Pacific that the producers of the United States may look for the most rapid enlargement of foreign trade. South America, to which our average exports are not more than \$3,500,000 a month, and which sells us more than it buys, is a less promising field than the Pacific. European countries take special pains to cultivate business relations with South America and a convention composed of representatives from the Spanish-speaking countries has just been held in Madrid. Its results were chiefly sentimental, for Spain is in no position to assume any commercial leadership. The completion of the Nicaragua canal will open to American enterprise new facilities for reaching the Pacific side of South America, Asia and Oceania, and as our trade there is growing at a greater ratio than with any other part of the world American merchants, manufacturers and traders must keep sharp eyes on developments in the vast ocean that borders the most populous part of the world.

Weather Forecast.

Ohio—Generally fair Thursday and Friday; fresh westerly winds. West Virginia—Fair Thursday. Fair Friday except probably snow in the mountain regions. Westerly winds.

DANCING AND SONG

Music and Beautiful Costumes Made the Carnival a Success.

During the past few years numerous home talent entertainments have been presented for the diversion and amusement of Marietta society at large. Operas, tragedies and comedies have each in turn been enacted before audiences differing in size as well as in the degree of appreciation which was accorded to the performers and their efforts, yet the sympathy and ready appreciation which an attentive audience almost invariably is ready to grant in generous measure to an entertainment of merit may be, and often is, more spontaneous from a gathering of fair proportions than from a crowded house. For under the first mentioned conditions the opportunities for both seeing and judging are better than when the house is filled to its fullest capacity.

This was the case at the Auditorium last evening, when the operatic carnival under the auspices of Marietta B. P. O. E., No. 477, was witnessed by an appreciative and fair sized audience. For every act and for every scene of the acts generous applause was bestowed on the performers.

The promoters and organizers of Wednesday night's entertainment can gratify themselves by the assurance that never was attendance more richly deserved and encloses more thoroughly merited. The beauty of the costumes, the mazy intricacies of the dances and the excellence of the musical parts all combined to render the audience thoroughly pleased with every feature of the performance. From the grove to the gay, from the sublime to the ludicrous, all the different emotions possible to the human heart were represented with fidelity and power. Little toys, scarcely able to walk alone, were associated with performers of mature age and both in their respective ways interested and amused the audience.

Some of Marietta's best known musicians delighted their admirers by vocal numbers while music from the orchestra and piano served to complete the operatic part. The different scenes were so varied that the audience was never for one moment suffered to feel ennui, but was treated to variety in costume, originality in the dances and changes in the music throughout the entire evening. The numbers of the carnival given last night were signal successes and should be witnessed by everyone. The program tonight includes a number of new scenes and will be fully as interesting as was that of Wednesday night.

CAMERA CLUB EXHIBIT

Marietta Picture Takers to Entertain in Early January.

The people of Marietta will be interested and pleased to know that the Marietta Camera Club is arranging to give a photographic exhibition—the dates to be Thursday and Friday, January 3d and 4th, day and evening.

The exhibition held last year was a genuine success, and it had the effect of prompting and promoting a large interest in photography. The salon to be held this year will show the result of this zeal. Besides a large amount of local work in sight, there will be many pictures by foreign exhibitors—several being among the most noted artists in America.

All local amateurs and professionals are requested to have their pictures sent to the office of L. L. Peddinghaus, Second street, by Friday, December 28th, with the title of the picture and the name of the exhibitor on the back of the picture. Of course the best of care will be given the pictures, so there need be no fear in sending choice mounts or fine frames.

It is necessary that the pictures be sent in by the 28th, for the reason that they must be catalogued in season for the lists to go to the printer in ample time.

A general invitation is extended to amateurs and professionals in Marietta and vicinity.

Further notice of the salon will be given later.

COMPARATIVE VOTE.

At the late presidential election President McKinley received 158,467 votes more than were cast for him in 1896, while Mr. Bryan received 87,538 less than were given him in that election.

The following comparative figures will prove of general interest:

	1900	1896
McKinley	7,263,266	7,104,799
Bryan	6,415,387	6,502,925

It is now learned that the entire misunderstanding which delayed the consummation of the agreement at Peking was caused by the change or omission of a single digit in a complex group of figures, making up one of the cipher messages of instructions to Mr. Conger. Curiously enough the change in this single digit exactly reversed the meaning of the entire message so that Mr. Conger, in opposing the English view, was acting exactly contrary to the spirit of his instructions, though in accordance with their letter.

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